

SIMON FRASER UNIVERSITY

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MEMORANDUM

To..... SENATE.

From..... SENATE COMMITTEE ON UNDERGRADUATE
STUDIES/SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS
BOARD.

Subject..... BGS DEGREE - ADDITION OF OLI TO THE
LIST OF B.C. UNIVERSITIES/INSTITUTES
TO WHICH SPECIAL REGULATIONS APPLY

Date..... 20 MAY 1983.

Actions undertaken by the Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies at its meeting of April 19, 1983 and by the Senate Undergraduate Admissions Board at its meeting of May 16, 1983 gives rise to the following motion:

MOTION: "That Senate approve the proposed revision to the BGS regulations to accept transferable work from the Open Learning Institute of British Columbia in the same manner as transferable work taken at the University of British Columbia and the University of Victoria, by adding the Open Learning Institute to the three now included in the regulations - University of British Columbia, University of Victoria, Simon Fraser University"

A copy is attached of the pertinent section of the regulations marked to show the changes.

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SUAB 108

To..... SENATE UNDERGRADUATE ADMISSIONS BOARD

From..... H. M. EVANS,

..... REGISTRAR

Subject..... BGS DEGREE - Addition of OLI to the
listing of B.C. Universities/
Institutions to which Special

Date..... May 12, 1983

Regulations apply

For many years there have been special regulations authorizing a larger total than normal of transfer credit/course challenge hours toward the BGS degree provided the work is taken in British Columbia through one or more of Simon Fraser University, the University of British Columbia, the University of Victoria. These regulations were approved prior to the establishment in the province of the Open Learning Institute.

Approval has been given for some time by SUAB of transfer credit for certain OLI courses, but the ancillary regulations regarding the BGS degree have not been updated. The Faculty of Interdisciplinary Studies was requested some time ago by SCUS to give consideration to the regulations and now has brought forth its recommendation. The Senate Committee on Undergraduate Studies has concurred with the recommendation and the item is transmitted to SUAB.

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Special Regulations Governing Transfer/Course Challenge Credit

Special regulations for the B.G.S. degree provide broadened opportunities for degree completion for students taking studies in B.C. through a combination of work at the University of British Columbia, the University of Victoria, and Simon Fraser University as follows:

In addition to the 60 hours of transfer and/or course challenge credit which students normally may count towards the B.G.S. degree, a further 30 hours of transfer credit for work taken in the last 60 hours may be credited towards that degree provided that:

1. Such transfer credits are obtained from ~~either or both~~ the University of British Columbia or the University of Victoria; *or*
2. The 45 upper division credit hours required for the degree are taken at one or more of the University of British Columbia, or the University of Victoria or Simon Fraser University; *or*
3. At least 30 hours of the last 60 hours used for the degree are undertaken at Simon Fraser University.

The following explanatory notes and intent for the B.G.S. purposes are included:

- (1) The B.G.S. degree requires completion of 120 semester hours of credit. It must include 45 hours of upper division courses — i.e. SFU courses numbered 300 and/or 400 — but without stipulation as to the level in which these courses are taken.
- (2) Transfer credit courses and course challenges are not normally included in the calculation of averages. For the above purposes, however, with the possibility of 90 hours of transfer work, SFU must be satisfied that the principle of an average of at least 2.0 is clearly fulfilled, and transfer grades will be reviewed to ensure this.
- (3) The general regulation limiting the amount of transfer credit permitted after the first registration at SFU, to 30 semester hours will not apply to work taken at the University of British Columbia or the University of Victoria. *or*
- (4) The requirement of grades of C or higher for recognition of transfer work taken after first registration at SFU will not directly apply to work taken at the University of British Columbia or the University of Victoria. *or*
- (5) "Appropriate" courses refer to courses which normally could be credited in Arts and Sciences. It will exclude, for example, courses considered generally equivalent to EDUC 401/402 or others covering basic teacher education, or other professional areas.
- (6) Requirements for admission to SFU remain unchanged.
- (7) A student undertaking work elsewhere for transfer to SFU, whose overall record does not fulfil the normal principles for continuance, may be placed on ACADEMIC WARNING, or ACADEMIC PROBATION, or REQUIRED TO WITHDRAW status.
- (8) The University reserves the right to deny transfer credit or to require completion of further courses beyond the minimum hours for the degree, when it is judged that there is a significant content overlap in courses taken.

(NOTE: The principle pertains that courses used for credit on another degree or diploma awarded by another university may not be used for credit towards the B.G.S. degree also.)

Students who have completed at least 90 semester hours credit, including 30 upper division hours, at Simon Fraser and are accepted into an accredited professional program in law, medicine, dentistry, or veterinary medicine are eligible to receive a Bachelor of General Studies degree from Simon Fraser University after successful completion of the first year of professional study. To be acceptable, the courses taken in the professional program must not duplicate courses already taken at SFU and must be acceptable for transfer credit. Candidates must apply for transfer credit and for receipt of the Bachelor's degree through the Registrar's Office, Simon Fraser University. Since official transcripts of the work completed in the first year of the professional program are required for transfer credit purposes, application for graduation should be delayed until the summer semester following the completion of requirements.

the Open Learning Institute

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